the CCI has also been pruchasing the kapas three stages below FAQ grade.

(e) and (f) Currently the market prices are above the MSP level. If the market prices fall below the MSP, the CCI is mandated to procure cotton at MSP levels from the growers.

Modernisation of textile units in the country

99. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to modernize its textile units in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of funds allotted for the purpose; and

(d) the progress made so far in the country in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) and (b) National Textile Corporation (NTC) has drawn a plan to modernize 22 of its mills by itself in accordance with the Revival Scheme approved by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR), as per the list is given at Statement (*See* below). The Rehabilitation Scheme of The British India Corporation Ltd. (BIC) sanctioned by BIFR in 2002 envisaged modernization of its mills involving an expenditure of Rs. 46.58 crores.

(c) The Rehabilitation Scheme for NTC sanctioned in 2002 by the BIFR entailed sacrifices from the Union Government in the form of conversion of outstanding loans of Rs. 2689.79 crores into equity and write off of the entire interest on loan given to the 8 subsidaries of NTC upto 31.3.2001, revival of 44 viable mills at a cost of Rs. 661.81 crores, one time settlement with secured creditors, to provide wage support as a loan, etc. Similarly, the BIFR sanctioned Rehabilitation Scheme in 2002 for BIC Ltd. which entailed assistance of Rs. 37 crores as interest free unsecured loan, grant of Rs. 49 crores, waiver of interest on the unsecured loans, conversion of outstanding unsecured loan into equity to provide wage support as a loan, etc. The funds for modernization of NTC mills are to be generated by sale

of land and assets of closed mills, and surplus assets of viable mills of NTC. As regards modernization of BIC mills, as per the BIFR sanctioned Scheme, Government has givenRs. 86 crores as loan and grants through BIC. During the last two years, Government has given Rs. 521.17 crores to NTC and Rs. 36 crores to BIC towards wage support.

(d) NTC has placed orders for purchase of new machinery for 13 mills, and the first lot of machinery have arrived at the site. BIC has also partially modernized its mills with an expenditure of Rs. 16.50 crores.

Statement

List of 22 mills proposed for revival

Sl.No.	Name of the Mills	Location
	A. 15 Mills to be revived in 1st Phase	
NTC (APKKM) Ltd.		
	Karnataka	
1.	Minerva Mills	Bangalore
	Kerala	
2.	Algappa Textile Mills	Alagappanagar
3.	Cannanore Spg. & Wvg. Mills	Cannanore
4.	Kerala Laxmi Mills	Trichur
5.	Vijayamohini Mills	Trivandrum
	Mahe	
6.	Cannanore Spg. & Wvg. Mills	Mahe
NTC (MN) Ltd.		
	Maharashtra	
7.	Podar Mills	Mumbai
NTC (SN) Ltd.		
	Maharashtra	
8.	Barshi Textile Mills	Barshi
9.	Finlay Mills	Mumbai
N.T.C. (TN & P) Ltd.		
	Tamil Nadu	
10.	Cambodia Mills	Coimbatore
11.	Coimbatore Murugan Mills	Coimbatore
12.	Pankaja Mills	Coimbatore
13.	Pioneer Spinners Mills	Kamudakudi
14.	Sri Rangavilas S. & W. Mills	Coimbatore

Sl.No.	Name of the Mills	Location
15.	Kaleeswarar Mills 'B' Unit	Kalayarkoil
	B. 7 Mills to be Revived in 2nd Phase	
NTC (DPR) Ltd.		
	Rajasthan	
16.	Udaipur Cotton Mills	Udaipur
NTC (Guj.) Ltd.		
	Gujarat	
17.	Rajnagar Textile Mill No. 1	Ahmedabad
NTC (MN) Ltd.		
	Maharashtra	
18.	Tata Mills	Mumbai
19.	India United Mills No. 5	Mumbai
NTC (WBABO) Ltd.		
	West Bengal	
20.	Arati Cotton Mills	Dass Nagar
NTC (MP) Ltd.		
	Madhya Pradesh	
21.	Burhanpur Tapti Mills	Burhanpur
22.	New Bhopal Textile Mills	Bhopal

Production of cloth by handloom sector

100: SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of production of cloth in handloom sector in the different parts of the country during the last three years, State-wise/year-wise;

(b) the details of export of cloth by the handloom sector during this period; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to increase export of cloth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) State-wise details of production of cloth in handloom sector is not maintained due to un-organized nature of handloom sector. The cloth production in handloom sector in the country during the last three years is as under:—